



## **Bio Sketch**

### **Adrian W. Alexander**

Adrian Alexander has served as R.M and Ida McFarlin Dean of the Library at the University of Tulsa since February 2007. Prior to that, he was the first Executive Director of the Greater Western Library Alliance (<http://www.gwla.org>), a non-profit consortium representing 31 academic research libraries. In his nine years at GWLA, he organized and managed a variety of collaborative library projects, including cooperative collection development, electronic database licensing, digital library development and interlibrary loan. As part of a somewhat “non-traditional” career path in the information industry, he also spent 13 years with a journal subscription agency in a variety of sales, sales management and marketing management roles.

Adrian holds a Masters degree in Library Science and a Certificate of Advanced Study in academic library administration from the University of North Texas, where he also worked for five years as a reference librarian and in library administration. He has published over two dozen journal articles in the professional literature on a range of topics that include journal pricing trends, intellectual property issues, electronic publishing and management. Adrian has served on the editorial boards of three peer-reviewed library science journals and was a Senior Fellow in academic library administration at UCLA’s Graduate School of Education and Information Studies in 1999. He currently serves on the Board of Advisors to the School of Library and Information Sciences at the University of North Texas, and the Board of Directors of ESIG, the National Science Foundation’s EPSCoR Science Information Group, a consortium of over 50 university libraries in 22 states and U.S. territories.

Adrian was a co-founder of BioOne, Inc. (<http://www.bioone.org>), a not-for-profit, electronic publishing enterprise, and served on the company’s Board of Directors as Treasurer from its incorporation in January 2000 until he left the Greater Western Library Alliance in early 2007. He is also a professional actor and a member of the American Federation of Radio and Television Artists (AFTRA).